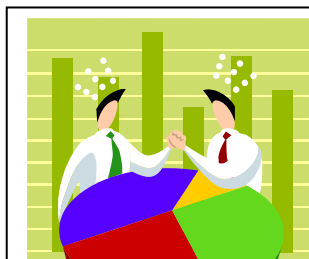


LABOR MARKET REVIEW

Region 3

Statistical Data Report for November 2006

Released January 2007



The Fort Wayne MSA includes three counties; Allen, Wells, and Whitley Counties. The Economic Growth Region 3 includes; Adams, Allen, DeKalb, Grant, Huntington, LaGrange, Noble, Steuben, Wabash, Wells, and Whitley Counties.

November 2006 Labor Force Estimates
(not seasonally adjusted)
State Release Date: 12/29/06
Monthly Unemployment Rate Percentages

	11/06	10/06	11/05
U.S.	4.3	4.1	4.8
INDIANA	4.5	4.6	5.1
FORT WAYNE MSA	4.5	4.5	4.8
EGR 3	4.9	4.9	5.3
COUNTY:			
Adams	3.9	3.9	4.6
Allen	4.6	4.6	4.9
DeKalb	5.7	5.7	6.0
Grant	6.1	6.4	7.3
Huntington	4.8	4.6	5.3
LaGrange	5.3	5.1	4.9
Noble	5.8	5.7	5.8
Steuben	5.8	5.8	5.9
Wabash	5.1	5.1	6.3
Wells	3.6	3.6	4.4
Whitley	4.2	4.3	4.2
CITY:			
Angola	6.3	6.3	6.6
Auburn	5.6	5.5	6.1
Bluffton	4.6	4.9	4.5
Columbia City	4.8	4.8	4.7
Decatur	5.3	5.0	5.8
Fort Wayne	4.8	4.9	5.3
Huntington	5.5	5.1	6.3
Indianapolis(Cons)	4.5	4.7	5.4
Kendallville	6.2	5.7	7.1
Marion	7.1	7.3	8.4
Wabash City	5.8	5.9	8.1
OTHER MSA'S			
Indianapolis	4.0	4.1	4.7
Gary	4.6	4.6	5.3
Evansville	4.2	4.2	4.8

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE RANKING BY COUNTY (HIGH TO LOW)

RANK – November 2006	COUNTY
1	Fayette (7.8%)
4	Grant
5	Noble
7	Steuben
8	DeKalb
21	LaGrange
28	Wabash
43	Huntington
46	Allen
60	Whitley
73	Adams
83	Wells
92	Hamilton(2.7%)

SURROUNDING STATES UNEMPLOYMENT November 2006 (not seasonally adjusted)

Illinois	3.7%
Kentucky	5.2%
Michigan	6.5%
Ohio	5.1%



ALL ABOUT UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

For a detailed report on how the government measures unemployment rates click on the following link:

http://www.bls.gov/cps/cps_htgm.htm

For the detailed news summary regarding the employment situation in the United States click on the following link: (Adobe Acrobat necessary)

<http://www.bls.gov/news.release/pdf/empst.pdf>

REGIONAL AND STATE UNEMPLOYMENT (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

Regional and state unemployment rates were generally little changed in November. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor, 28 states recorded over the month unemployment rate increases, 10 states registered rate decreases, and 10 states had no change. In November, the Midwest again registered the highest unemployment rate among the four regions, 4.8 percent. Mississippi reported the highest unemployment rate in November, 7.5 percent, followed by Michigan, 6.9 percent, and South Carolina, 6.6 percent. Hawaii and Utah again recorded the lowest unemployment rates, 2.3 and 2.6 percent, respectively. Ten other states registered jobless rates below 3.5 percent. Seventeen states registered unemployment rates that were significantly below the U.S. rate in November, 7 states recorded measurably higher rates, and 26 states had rates that were statistically little different from that of the nation. Over the year, jobless rates were down in 37 states, up in 8 states, and unchanged in 5 states.

The LAUS (local area unemployment statistics) program will no longer revise the prior month's state labor force estimates each month. Estimates will be subject to revision at the beginning of the following calendar year.

FORT WAYNE MSA



WAGE AND SALARIED

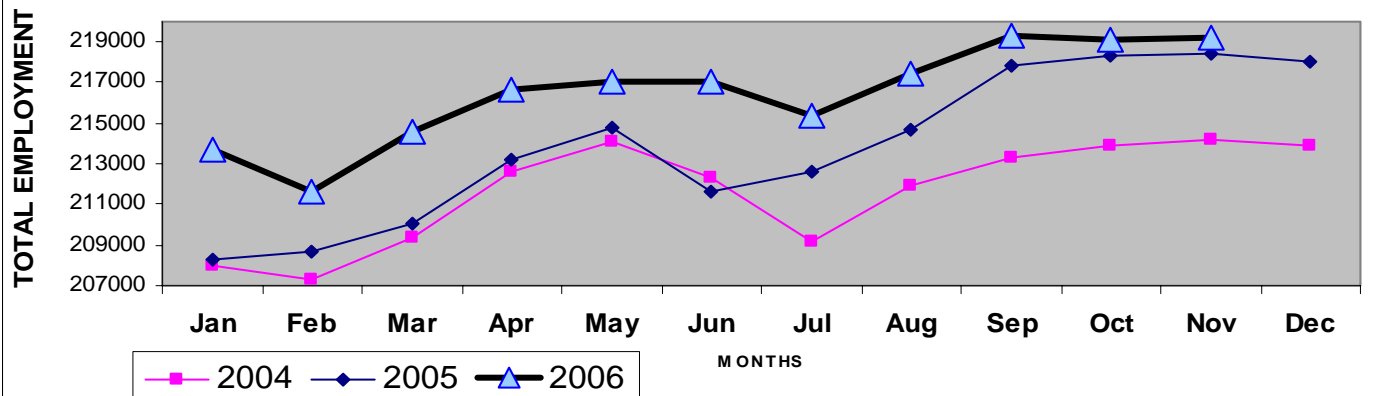
	Fort Wayne MSA			CHANGE FROM			
	NOVEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	OCT. 2006	TO	NOV. 2005	TO
	2006	2006	2005	NOV. 2006		NOV. 2006	
Total Nonfarm	219,200	219,100	218,400	+100	+0.0%	+800	+0.4%
Total Private	196,200	196,200	194,700	+0	+0.0%	+1,500	+0.8%
Goods Producing	49,300	49,500	48,800	-200	-0.4%	+500	+1.0%
Service-Providing	169,900	169,600	169,600	+300	+0.2%	+300	+0.2%
Private Srvc Provide	146,900	146,700	145,900	+200	+0.1%	+1,000	+0.7%
Nat. Res & Construction	12,400	12,500	11,800	-100	-0.8%	+600	+5.1%
Manufacturing	36,900	37,000	37,000	-100	-0.3%	-100	-0.3%
Durable Goods	28,100	28,200	28,600	-100	-0.4%	-500	-1.7%
Computer and Electronic	4,200	4,200	4,200	+0	+0.0%	+0	+0.0%
Transportation Equipment	6,400	6,400	6,300	+0	+0.0%	+100	+1.6%
Trade,Transportation,Utilities	47,800	47,400	47,500	+400	+0.8%	+300	+0.6%
Wholesale Trade	13,200	13,200	12,900	+0	+0.0%	+300	+2.3%
Retail Trade	23,700	23,300	23,700	+400	+1.7%	+0	+0.0%
Trans,Warehouse,Utilities	10,900	10,900	10,900	+0	+0.0%	+0	+0.0%
Information	3,600	3,600	3,600	+0	+0.0%	+0	+0.0%
Financial Activities	11,800	11,800	11,900	+0	+0.0%	-100	-0.8%
Professional and Business	21,400	21,400	21,500	+0	+0.0%	-100	-0.5%
Educational and Health	34,000	34,000	33,600	+0	+0.0%	+400	+1.2%
Leisure and Hospitality	20,200	20,300	19,700	-100	-0.5%	+500	+2.5%
Food Services and Drink	16,700	16,800	16,500	-100	-0.6%	+200	+1.2%
Other Services	8,100	8,200	8,100	-100	-1.2%	+0	+0.0%
Government	23,000	22,900	23,700	+100	+0.4%	-700	-3.0%
Federal Government	2,200	2,200	2,300	+0	+0.0%	-100	-4.3%
State Government	4,600	4,600	4,700	+0	+0.0%	-100	-2.1%
Local Government	16,200	16,100	16,700	+100	+0.6%	-500	-3.0%
Local Govt Education	9,800	9,800	9,800	+0	+0.0%	+0	+0.0%

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, Current Employment Statistics.

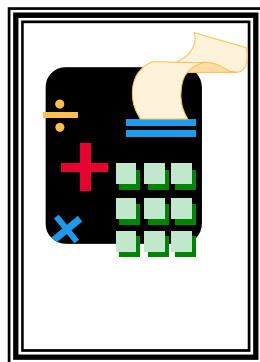
HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION OR NON-SUPERVISORY WORKERS BY INDUSTRY FT. WAYNE MSA

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	NOV	OCT	NOV	NOV	OCT	NOV	NOV	OCT	NOV
	2006	2006	2005	2006	2006	2005	2006	2006	2005
Manufacturing	\$748.12	\$731.64	\$756.58	42.1	42.0	42.6	\$17.17	\$17.42	\$17.76
Retail Trade	\$311.66	\$321.43	\$315.85	29.1	29.9	29.3	\$10.71	\$10.75	\$10.78

FT WAYNE MSA EMPLOYMENT TRENDS



MONTHLY COMPARISON OF TOTAL CLAIMS BY LOCAL OFFICE



LOCAL OFFICE	November 2006	October 2006	Previous Month % Change	November 2005	Year Ago % Change
Anderson	6,279	7,325	-14.3%	6,678	-6.0%
Auburn	10,061	9,920	1.4%	8,283	21.5%
Connersville	2,823	3,073	-8.1%	2,604	8.4%
Fort Wayne	16,747	16,635	0.7%	14,142	18.4%
Marion	5,620	6,168	-8.9%	4,988	12.7%
Muncie	8,511	9,283	-8.3%	9,103	-6.5%
Richmond	3,214	3,214	0.0%	3,380	-4.9%
INDIANA	241,826	254,625	-5.0%	224,044	7.9%

APPLICANT POOL ECONOMIC GROWTH REGION 3

Applicant Pool provides a numerical ranking of the top twenty jobs being sought by job applicants. These data are extracted from the Department of Workforce Development's Customer Self Service System (CS3). Each week the job title list in the applicant pool is determined by examining the pool of applicants who are registered in CS3. The twenty job titles that are specified most often by job applicants in the CS3 system are listed. The numbers of applicants requesting those jobs are also displayed. Report date January 12, 2007

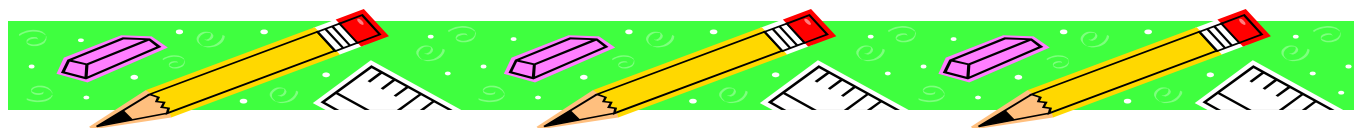
Job Title	Number of Applicants
Assemblers (Factory Work)	8,427
Production Laborers	6,858
All Other Machine Operators	4,537
Forklift/Industrial Truck Operators	4,048
Hand Packers & Packagers	3,285
All Other Hand Workers	2,966
Stock Clerks: Stockroom/Warehouse	2,825
Production Inspectors, Testers, Graders	2,345
General Office Clerks	2,164
Cashiers, General	2,068
Shipping & Receiving Clerks	1,908
All Other Metal & Plastic Machine Operators	1,727
Production Helpers	1,671
Receptionists/Information Clerks	1,635
All Other Precision Assemblers	1,631
All Other Machine Setters & Set-up Operators	1,534
Order Fillers – Wholesale/Retail Sales	1,503
Other Inspectors & Testers	1,499
Other Hand Material Mover	1,467
Machine Assemblers	1,461

ECONOMIC GROWTH REGION 3* WAGE DEMAND

The Department of Workforce Development's Customer Self Service System (CS3) performs matches between applicants seeking work and employers looking for new employees.

Wage Demand provides the applicants' desired wages and the number of applicants registered in CS3. The pool of applicants who are registered in the CS3 system is examined each week. Applicants define their wage expectations for the work that they would like to obtain. An average wage demand and median wage demand are calculated for the selected geographical area. The data are available from the state level to the county level. For other areas, check out our web site: <http://www.hoosierdata.in.gov> under Wage Demand on the Site Map/Index. *EGR 3 includes Adams, Allen, Dekalb, Grant, Huntington, LaGrange, Noble, Steuben, Wabash, Wells and Whitley Counties.

AREA (01/12/07)	Average Annual Wage Demand	Median Annual Wage Demand	Number of Applicants
EGR 3	\$25,054	\$20,800	22,884
Adams	\$24,169	\$20,800	529
Allen	\$24,702	\$20,800	8,703
Dekalb	\$22,833	\$20,800	1,621
Grant	\$21,451	\$18,720	5,004
Huntington	\$23,114	\$20,800	1,108
LaGrange	\$38,559	\$23,400	898
Noble	\$31,641	\$20,800	1,524
Steuben	\$28,635	\$20,800	1,046
Wabash	\$24,535	\$20,800	1,187
Wells	\$29,009	\$20,800	549
Whitley	\$23,348	\$18,720	2,208



REGION 3 JOB OPENINGS

The following hourly wage information is for selected occupations that the Indiana Workforce Development offices in east central Indiana received during November 2006. The data are from the agency's Customer Self Service System (CS3) and Seagate Crystal reports software. Occupations are listed in descending order based on number of openings.

OCCUPATIONAL TITLES	MINIMUM WAGE	AVERAGE WAGE	MAXIMUM WAGE
Production Laborers	\$7.00	\$8.88	\$10.00
Production Inspectors, Testers, Graders	10.00	11.26	15.05
Assemblers (factory work)	7.00	8.50	10.00
Salespersons: retail	7.25	11.66	15.00
All Other Machine Operators	10.58	11.29	12.00
Probation & Correctional Treatment Specialist	11.91	13.41	14.90
Carpet Installers	15.00	15.00	15.00
Correction Officers & Jailers	11.91	11.91	11.91
Painters, Construction and Maintenance	13.00	21.88	17.44
Welders and Cutters	11.00	13.67	15.00
Fork lift/Industrial Truck Operators	12.00	12.67	14.00
Metal Fabricators, Structural Metal Production	11.00	14.50	18.00
Buffing, Polishing Set up Operators	8.00	8.00	8.00
Stock Clerks; Stockroom/warehouse	9.00	11.75	14.00
Construction Carpenters	15.00	16.50	18.00
Civil & Traffic Engineers	25.38	27.36	30.60
Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	15.00	21.19	24.52



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Midwest Urban Average(All items)

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2005	0.2	0.6	0.6	0.8	-0.2	0.2	0.3	0.7	1.5	-0.2	-0.9	-0.3
2006	0.6	-0.1	0.7	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	-0.7	-0.7	0.3	

12 Months Percent Change

Not Seasonally Adjusted

Midwest Urban Average(All items)

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2005	2.6	2.8	2.9	3.4	2.5	2.5	2.8	3.5	4.8	4.1	3.0	3.2
2006	3.6	3.0	3.1	2.8	3.3	3.4	3.3	2.8	0.6	0.1	1.3	

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

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